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AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A track assembly ~~for setting a tubing~~ comprising:

a track portion including a channel having a curved cross-section and a securing feature including at least one flange curved away from said channel; and

a tubing inserted into said channel to set said tubing.

2. (CANCELLED)

3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The track assembly as recited in claim 1 wherein said tubing has a non-flexed diameter and a flexed diameter and said securing feature has a dimension, and wherein said non-flexed diameter is larger than [[a]]said dimension of said securing feature and [[a]]said flexed dimension is approximately equal to said dimension of said securing feature.

4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The track assembly as recited in claim 3 wherein said tubing has said flexed dimension when said tubing is passing through said securing feature and said tubing has said non-flexed dimension before and after said tubing is positioned into said channel.

5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A track assembly comprising:~~

a channel having a curved cross-section;

a securing feature to secure said tubing in said channel, and ~~The track assembly as recited in claim 1~~ wherein said securing feature is a pair of opposing flanges curved in opposing directions[[,]]; and

a tubing inserted into said channel to set said tubing.

6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The track assembly as recited in claim 1 said channel has an interior dimension and said tubing has a non-flexed diameter, and said interior dimension of said channel is substantially equal to [[a]]said non-flexed diameter of said tubing.

7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The track assembly as recited in claim 1 wherein said ~~channel is curved such that said curved~~ channel contacts approximately 180° of said tubing.

8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The track assembly as recited in claim 1 wherein ~~said~~ the track assembly is stamped.

9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The track assembly as recited in claim 1 wherein ~~said~~ the track assembly includes at least one straight track and at least one curved track, and said ~~tracks being~~ at least one straight track and said at least one curved track are welded together to form ~~said~~ the track assembly.

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A track assembly ~~for setting a tubing~~ comprising:

a track portion including a channel having a curved cross-section and an interior dimension[[;]] and a securing feature including at least one flange curved away from said channel ~~to secure said tubing in said curved channel;~~; and

~~said~~ a tubing having a diameter substantially equal to said interior dimension of said channel, wherein said tubing ~~being~~ is secured in said channel by said at least one flange and set by in said channel heating and rapid quenching.

11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The track assembly as recited in claim 10 wherein said track portion includes at least one straight track and at least one curved track, and said at least one straight track and said at least one curved track are ~~tracks being~~ welded together to form ~~said~~ the track assembly.

12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The track assembly as recited in claim 10 wherein said tubing has a non-flexed diameter and a flexed diameter and said securing feature has a dimension, and said non-flexed diameter is larger than [[a]]said dimension of said securing feature and [[a]]said flexed dimension is approximately equal to said dimension of said securing feature, and said tubing ~~having~~ has said flexed dimension when said tubing is passing through said securing feature and said tubing has said non-flexed dimension before and after said tubing is positioned into said channel.

13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A track assembly comprising:~~

~~a channel having a curved cross-section and an interior dimension;~~

~~a securing feature to secure said tubing in said curved channel, and The track assembly as recited in claim 10~~ wherein said securing feature is a pair of opposing flanges curved in opposing directions; and

~~a tubing having a diameter substantially equal to said interior dimension of said channel, and said tubing is set in said channel by heating and rapid quenching.~~

14. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The track assembly as recited in claim 10 wherein said ~~channel is curved such that said curved~~ channel contacts approximately 180° of said tubing.

15. (WITHDRAWN) A method for setting a tubing comprising the step of:

forming at least one track portion including a channel having a curved cross-section.

16. (WITHDRAWN) The method as recited in claim 15 further comprising the step of forming a securing feature.

17. (WITHDRAWN) The method as recited in claim 15 further comprising the step of welding said at least one track portion together.

18. (WITHDRAWN) The method as recited in claim 15 further comprising the step of inserting said tubing into said curved channel.

19. (WITHDRAWN) The method as recited in claim 15 further comprising the steps of heating and rapidly quenching said tubing.

20. (WITHDRAWN) The method as recited in claim 18 wherein the step of inserting said tubing into said curved channel includes deforming said tubing to a flexed dimension approximately equal to a dimension of said securing feature and expanding said tubing to a non-flexed dimension greater than said dimension of said securing feature.

21. (WITHDRAWN) The method as recited in claim 15 wherein said curved channel is curved such that said curved channel contacts approximately 180° of said tubing.

22. (WITHDRAWN) The method as recited in claim 19 wherein the step of heating said tubing includes heating said tubing to a temperature between 275° F and 300° F.

23. (WITHDRAWN) The method as recited in claim 19 wherein the step rapidly quenching said tubing includes quenching said tubing to a temperature of 50°F.

24. (WITHDRAWN) The method as recited in claim 15 wherein said at least one track portion if formed by stamping.

25. (NEW) The track assembly as recited in claim 1 wherein said securing feature is flexible.

26. (NEW) The track assembly as recited in claim 1 wherein said at least one flange comprises a pair of opposing flanges each curved in opposing directions, and said pair of opposing flanges curve outwardly from said channel.